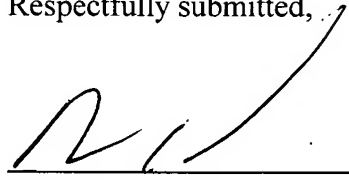


REMARKS

Please amend the specification and claims as indicated prior to examination on the merits.

Respectfully submitted,

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